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Applicant: Graef et al.

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Examiner: Boyd

Title: Absorbent Composite Having Improved Surface Dryness

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Federal Way, Washington 98063

November 19, 2004

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Applicant respectfully requests that the statutory period for filing a response to the Office Action mailed on May 27, 2004, be extended by three additional months, to expire on November 27, 2004.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the three-month extension fee of \$980.00 and any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.18 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-1480. This authorization also hereby includes a request for any extensions of time of the appropriate length required upon the filing of any reply during the entire prosecution of this application. A copy of this document is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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